

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-24 (cancelled).

Claim 25 (Currently amended): A method of providing private security services comprising:

providing at least one private security officer at a client location;

maintaining a database of information which relates to private security services provided for at least one client, wherein the database is stored on a computer at a first location that is capable of data communication, using the Internet, with at least one security officer computer installed at a client location that is remote from the first location, and maintaining the database comprises:

receiving security data from the at least one security officer computer, via the Internet, wherein the security data is entered into the at least one security officer computer by [~~at least one~~] the security officer providing private security services at the client location, and the security data corresponds with at least one security related event occurring at the client location;

updating the database with at least a portion of the security data received from the security officer computer; and

hosting the database so that at least a portion of the information stored therein is Internet accessible by the at least one client, wherein the at least one client accesses the information in the database by providing an authorization code to a website that permits restricted access to at least a subset of the information stored in the database.

Claim 26 (Cancelled).

Claim 27 (Previously presented): The method of claim 25, wherein receiving security data from the at least one security officer computer comprises receiving security data from a plurality of client locations, each remote from the first location, wherein each client location comprises at least one security officer computer.

Claim 28 (Currently amended): The method of claim 25, wherein receiving the security data from the at least one security officer computer, entered by the at least one security officer providing private security services at the client location, further comprises:

receiving the security data formatted as a standardized daily activity report, wherein a form of the standardized daily activity report is accessible by the at least one security officer via the Internet as a website that comprises predetermined data fields for entering the security data.

Claim 29 (Currently amended): The method of claim 25, wherein receiving the security data from the at least one security officer computer, entered by the at least one security officer providing private security services at the client location, further comprises:

receiving an email message comprising the security data.

Claim 30 (Previously presented): The method of claim 25, wherein maintaining the database, further comprises:

receiving clock-in data from the at least one security officer that corresponds to a beginning of a work shift;

receiving clock-out data from the at least one security officer that corresponds to an end of the work shift, wherein the at least one security officer enters the clock-in data and the clock-out data into a website accessible via the Internet; and

updating the database with the clock-in data and the clock-out data, wherein the clock-in data and the clock-out data are representative of a duration of the work shift.

Claim 31 (Previously presented): The method of claim 30, wherein the at least one security officer provides at least a portion of the clock-in data by logging in to the website, the clock-in data comprising an identifier unique to each security officer, and the at least one security officer provides at least a portion of the clock-out data by logging out of the website.

Claim 32 (Previously presented): The method of claim 30, wherein maintaining the database further comprises:

tracking which client location the at least one security officer is providing security services at using data entered into the website by the security officer.

Claim 33 (Currently amended): The method of claim 30, wherein receiving the security data from the at least one security officer computer, entered by the at least one security officer providing private security services at the client location, further comprises:

receiving the security data formatted as a daily activity report, wherein a form of the daily activity report is accessible by the at least one security officer via the Internet as a website that comprises at least one data field for entering the security data, and the website receiving the log-out data is configured to not accept the log-out data from the at least one security officer until the daily activity report is submitted.

Claim 34 (Currently amended): The method of claim 25, wherein receiving the security data from the at least one security officer computer, entered by the at least one security officer providing private security services at the client location, further comprises:

receiving security data that comprises at least one of text files, visual images, video, and audio data.

Claim 35 (Previously presented): The method of claim 25, further comprising:

sending a signal, via the Internet, to the at least one security officer computer in response to the security data entered by the at least one security officer.

Claim 36 (Currently amended): A method of obtaining information related to private security services, comprising:

accessing a database of information which relates to private security services provided for at least one client, wherein the database is stored on a computer[,] located at a first location, that is capable of data communication, using the Internet, with at least a second computer operating at a [~~second~~] client location that is remote from the first location, and wherein the database of information comprises security data entered by at least one security officer providing private security services for the [~~at least one~~] client location and at least a portion of the security data is entered by the at least one security officer located at the [~~at least one~~] client location, the security data corresponding with at least one security related event occurring at the [~~at least one~~] client location, wherein accessing the database of information comprises:

navigating a web browser operating on the second computer to a website that is in data communication with the database;

providing an authorization code that permits access to at least a portion of the database;

entering a request for information; and

receiving, at the second computer, at least a portion of the information associated with the request for data.

Claim 37 (Previously presented): The method of claim 36, wherein the database comprises security data from a plurality of client locations, and entering a request for

information comprises entering a request for information related to at least one of the plurality of client locations.

Claim 38 (Previously presented): The method of claim 37, wherein the authorization code is pre-assigned to a subset of information stored in the database, and providing the authorization code permits access only to the subset of information.

Claim 39 (Currently amended): The method of claim 36, further comprising:

sending a signal, via the Internet, to at least one security officer providing private security services at a client location in response to the requested information received at the second computer.

Claim 40 (Previously presented): The method of claim 39, wherein sending the signal to the at least one security officer comprises sending a request to the at least one security officer for data related to at least one security event that occurred at a client location.

Claim 41 (Currently amended): The method of claim 36, wherein the database comprises a plurality of daily activity reports submitted by the at least one security officer providing private security services at the at least one client location, and entering a request for information comprises requesting at least a portion of the information from at least one of the plurality of daily activity reports.

Claim 42 (Previously presented): The method of claim 36, wherein the database comprises clock-in data and clock-out data received from the at least one security officer providing security services at the at least one client location, and the clock-in data and the clock-out data is representative of a duration of a work shift of the at least one security officer, and entering a request for information comprises requesting at least a portion of the clock-in data and the clock-out data received from the at least one security officer.

Claim 43 (Previously presented): The method of claim 36, wherein the security data submitted by the at least one security officer comprises at least one of text files, visual images, video, and audio data.

Claim 44 (Currently amended): A system for providing private security services comprising:

a computer located at a first location that comprises a database of information which relates to private security services provided for at least one client, wherein the computer is capable of data communication, using the Internet, with at least one security officer computer installed at a client location that is remote from the first location, and the computer is operable to:

receive security data from the at least one security officer computer, via the Internet, wherein the security data is entered into the at least one security officer computer by at least one security officer providing private security services at the client location, and the security data corresponds with at least one security related event occurring at the client location;

update the database with at least a portion of the security data received from the at least one security officer computer; and

host the database so that at least a portion of the information stored therein is Internet accessible by the at least one client, wherein the at least one client accesses the information in the database by providing an authorization code to a website that permits restricted access to at least a subset of the information stored in the database.

Claim 45 (Cancelled).

Claim 46 (Previously presented): The system of claim 44, wherein the computer is operable to receive security data from a plurality of client locations, remote from the first location, and each client location comprises at least one security officer computer.

Claim 47 (Previously presented): The system of claim 44, wherein the computer is operable to receive security data from the at least one security officer computer, and the security data is received formatted as a standardized daily activity report, wherein the standardized daily activity report is accessible by the at least one security officer via the Internet as a website that comprises predetermined data fields for entering the security data.

Claim 48 (Previously presented): The system of claim 44, wherein the computer is operable to:

receive clock-in data from the at least one security officer that corresponds to a beginning of a work shift;

receive clock-out data from the at least one security officer that corresponds to an end of the work shift, wherein the security officer enters the clock-in data and the clock-out data into a website accessible via the Internet; and

update the database with the clock-in data and the clock-out data, wherein the clock-in data and the clock-out data is representative of a duration of the work shift.